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Transmitted herewith are the following documents in response to the Office Action mailed February 15, 2002, in the above-identified application:

- ☒ Amendment (Total pages 8);
- ☒ Statement of Status of Claims and Support for all Changes to the Claims Under C.F.R. §1.173(c) (Total pages 3)
- ☒ No additional claims fee is required hereto as shown below:

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In response to the Office Action mailed February 15, 2002, please amend the application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-5 and 21-23 without prejudice.

Please amend the remaining claims to read as follows:

38. (amended) An agricultural implement including a gang of disc blades spaced laterally across the implement, each disc blade in said gang being individually mounted to said implement by a disc mounting system comprising:
- a. a leaf spring with an upper leg and a lower leg connected by a closed end;